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The reply filed on March 22, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant was directed to elect one of each species of A through E, meaning, one NHE inhibitor, one NHE-1 inhibitor, one NA=K=2Cl- symport inhibitor, one AE2 inhibitor. The election of Group I from the restriction is noted. However, applicant was directed to further elect one of each agents. Applicant is reminded that the purpose of an election of species requirement is to simplify the search and issues considered during prosecution, and that because this is so, the ultimate allowance of a generic claim will encompass all additional species within the scope of the allowed genus. Stated alternatively, the purpose of the an election of species requirement as opposed to a restriction between claim groups is to reduce the burden on the examiner during prosecution only. A full search is merely postponed until allowance of the generic claim. Any inquiry concerning this communication from the examiner should be directed to Donna Jagoe whose telephone number is (703) 306-5826. The examiner can normally be reached Monday to Thursday from 9:00 A.M.. to 3 P.M.

. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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